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The amount of money given in public gifts and bequests last year was \$17,500,000, exceeding that given in the past eight years, with the exception of 1899, when the amount was nearly \$63,000,000.

An Iowa paper has somewhat twisted the rather ancient saying and declares that the grip lingers in the lap of spring. The grip undoubtedly lingers, but seems to be located in the entire body of all mankind.

The average sickness in the army in this country is 12 per cent, while among the boys serving in the Philippines it is but 7 per cent. The member of the 26th volunteer regiment who called the islands a "health resort" is certainly justified by this showing.

A Superior man who has been married but three weeks is suing his wife for divorce alleging extreme cruelty and desertion. It seems to have required but a short time for this couple to determine that marriage was a failure. They might have continued their engagement three weeks and saved court costs.

A Columbus citizen is of the opinion that for a speaker to be whistled at is more insult than applause. The Journal thinks that the whistle should follow the stamping of feet into oblivion. The good old clapping of hands, or cheers if the enthusiasm warrants it, are deemed ample and sufficient for all occasions by the modern speaker or entertainer, and the average audience would undoubtedly be content with these methods of demonstrating approval.

Some fellow has figured it all out that the shirt waist idea of the men is not taken from the ladies. On the contrary it is but a revival of the "doublet" of the 16th century, which womankind fled from the opposite sex, while for men it degenerated into the modern "vest" also appropriated to the adornment of the gentler sex. Those who were prone to sneer at the innovation as effeminate can now make their consciences clear—the shirt waist is man's rightful heritage.

The State Journal thinks that if Henderson of Texas manages to break through the cordon of Omaha police and prove his right to be classed as one of the famous Cuddey kidnapers it will be a notable triumph of mind over matter. It certainly looks as though the Omaha officials were guarding these "honors" very closely and don't intend to be imposed upon by any self-convicted jail bird. They seem to be reserving all title to the claim for Pat Crowe and are not particular as to when he appears to assert his rights.

The man with the hay can afford to make faces at the man with the hoe, with that product hovering around the \$10 mark and tending higher. This is one reason for the upward tendency of hay land which is in active demand. The man with a choice meadow can depend on nature furnishing him with a crop that will pay about as well as that which he tills. The high price of hay is not because there is a scarcity of meadow land in this neighborhood, neither because there was a "short crop," but their seems to be an increasing demand for the product that shows no signs of diminishing.

The active demand for trans-continental lines of railway shows an unbounded belief on the part of railway men in a constantly increasing trade with the far east and they propose to profit by it as far as transportation charges are concerned. They do not seem to fear disastrous competition through steamer traffic augmented by the early completion of an isthmian canal. Though such a canal were constructed it is undoubted that within a few years the trade will tax the facilities of all methods of transportation. The building up of this trade will be of immense advantage to the people of all classes in the western states and the transportation companies will not be the only ones to profit.

The lands in the Oklahoma territory, consisting of Kiowa, Comanche, Apache and Wichita reservations, soon to be opened to settlement by homesteaders, contain 3,712,503 acres. Reports from there indicate, however, that the opportunities for farmers are not of such a character as to be classed as a bonanza. It is said to be a fine cattle country, but in no sense of the word a farming country, the rainfall being scarce, and the country is generally termed the home of the hot wind and drought. In addition to these facts calculated to discourage homesteaders, the law provides that each Indian brave, squaw and papoose shall be allowed to select a quarter section before the opening. These se-

lections are now being made and will take 161,000 acres of the choicest land. Another 180,000 acres is to be set aside to be held by the Indians as pasture land. One-ninth of the total will be set aside for school lands and there are 250,000 acres of mountainous and sandy land unfit for settlement. With these facts confronting them it is probable that the prospective settlers now assembling to enter the territory need not be envied and others are not likely to join them to any alarming extent. Speaking of the character of the lands, Colonel Randlett, the Indian agent says: "On the land known as the agency farm, which is as good soil as there is in the territory, there have been but four crops in 20 years, and none of these reached 30 bushels to the acre on account of the hot winds and continued droughts." These seem to indicate that there are no flattering inducements to homesteaders offered in that territory.

Norfolk has a representative class of business men of whom the citizens are proud. They are not of the kind popularly known as "boomers" who seem to have everything coming their way one day and fall the next, but are steady and substantial, with an eye to business details and by conservative methods have established themselves solidly. They are up-to-date with their stocks, keeping on hand everything that an ordinary person may require and selling at prices that competitors of other towns find almost prohibitive. They are alive to the interests of the town and while the men of great schemes and booming propensities do not find in them ready victims they are always ready to assist in any plan for the betterment of the town in which they recognize merit. Norfolk is largely what its business men have made it and to them is due the greater share of the credit for placing it at the head of other towns of North Nebraska—the recognized metropolis of this popular section of the state. Railroad facilities have invited them to this locality and, with a country growing in wealth surrounding them, their efforts to advance Norfolk have not been unavailing. All lines of trade are well represented and, that the proprietors are prospering is not only complimentary to their ability and sagacity but evidences the fact that the people of the city and vicinity are prospering as well. That Norfolk is a desirable residence city is also largely due to the efforts of the business men who take pride in the beauty of the business blocks and residences and their efforts are constantly directed toward making it the handsomest city in the state, natural advantages being a great aid to this end. Norfolk people are proud of her merchants and do not hesitate to compare them with business men of other localities, such comparisons being always favorable to Norfolk.

A QUEER OCCUPATION.

Gathering the Down of Cattails in the Jersey Meadows.

One of the queerest industries has grown up on the Hackensack meadows, an otherwise apparently useless bog upon which it is unsafe for man or beast to venture. In the summer certain parts of the meadows are covered with a dense growth of cattails. They grow particularly rank and large. Sometimes the tall, or furry part, is a foot or more long and thick in proportion. The light, furry down is long and soft, bearing a close resemblance to down when first taken from the stalk.

Certain people always more or less quick to see the advantages of a waste product have begun gathering the seed down from cattails and are making it a considerable business. Just before the ice is gone in the spring is the time selected. Provided with a large sack in which to store the feathery products, the gatherer goes about among the tall flags, pulls off the down, deposits it in his sack and takes it home. It is not a particularly pleasant piece of work, because the little bits of down fly all over one, getting in the eyes, the nose, the mouth and ears, and completely cover one's clothing. But it furnishes work, and men and women do it.

It is taken from the sack, carefully spread where it will dry thoroughly, and it is then ready to be used in pillows or wherever else genuine animal down is advisable. It doesn't last long, because its fibers lack elasticity, but for a time the pillow will be as soft as any.

Those who gather it make reasonably fair pay at it, though hardly enough when the danger and the disagreeable character of the work are considered.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Cannibals and Pork.

In the New Hebrides human life has been made safe by the introduction of pigs into the island. The cannibals are said to prefer roast pork to roast man and as the porcine tribe increases among the natives they may give up their feasts on human flesh altogether excepting when something unusual happens, such as entertaining a king of some other cannibal island or on state occasions of rare ceremony.

Tough on the Joker.

The contributor wrote a joke about a plumber whose bills were always normal. "That," said the editor, rejecting it, "is not a joke; it's a lie." The contributor tried again with a story of the plumber whose charges left nothing to be desired on the score of size. "That," said the editor, who had suffered, "is not a lie. Neither is it a joke."—Scraps.

NAPOLEON AT ST. HELENA.

His Indignation at Being Spied Upon by His Keepers.

One of the "Talks With Napoleon" quoted from Dr. O'Meara's diary in The Century records Napoleon's indignation at being, as he considered it, spied upon while living at St. Helena.

"I understand," said he, "that an officer is placed here to report about me and to see me two or three times in the 24 hours and that they are talking of making him go into my chamber to see me if I did not come out. Any person," said he then, with considerable agitation, "who endeavors to force his way into my apartment will be a corpse the moment he enters it. If he ever eats bread or meat afterward, I am not Napoleon. This I am determined on."

"I know that I will be killed afterward, as what can one do against a camp? But what of that? I have faced death many a time. Besides I am convinced that this governor, this chief of jailers, has been sent out on purpose to poison me or put me to death some way or another or under some pretext by Lord Castlereagh."

"I have seen," continued he, "Russians, Prussians, Arabs, Cossacks, Tartars, Spaniards, Persians, Turks" (here he enumerated a great many more), "and never in my life before did I behold so ill favored and forbidding a countenance or so down and horrid a look. He carries crime imprinted on his countenance. (He porte le crime empreint sur son visage.) He is a man, to judge from his physiognomy, that one would select for the commission of any atrocious crime and as such has been selected out by your ministers, I suppose, on purpose to make away with me."

WON HIM A BRIDE.

The Rose by Which One Young Man's Credit Was Established.

Major J. M. Burke told a good story of his experience in helping a friend to get the girl of his choice.

"He was a good fellow," said he, "but young and without much capital. The girl was a beauty and loved the boy, but the father (the same old irate father) objected and demanded that the boy show that he was capable of supporting a wife. This was in St. Louis about ten years ago, and the boy came to me with his troubles."

"Never mind," said I. "I'll fix it up all right. By the way, how much will you take for your right leg?"

"He looked at me as though I were crazy, but made no answer."

"I'll give you \$10,000 for it," I said. "Will you take it?"

"No, I won't," he said. "What do you take me for?"

"Well, I knew the girl's father; he was a merchant, and I called to see him. We finally drifted around to talking about this young fellow, and the old man flared a little, stating that he wanted some one who could support a wife to have his daughter."

"Support a wife!" said I, in surprise. "Why, he certainly can do all that. Only a few days ago he refused \$10,000 for a piece of property."

"His own property?" asked the father. "Certainly," said I.

"Who offered him the money?" asked he.

"I did, and he refused it," I answered. "He claimed it was worth more."

"Well, this made a bit, and no more questions were asked. The boy is doing well now and has a good family. I haven't spoken to the father since."

—Washington Times.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas county, ss.

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Caught A Dreadful Cold. Marion Kooke, manager for T. M. Thompson, a large importer of a fine millinery at 1658 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, says: "During the late severe weather I caught a dreadful cold which kept me awake at night and made me unfit to attend my work during the day. One of my milliners was taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a severe cold at that time, which seemed to relieve her so quickly that I bought some for myself. It acted like magic and I began to improve at once. I am now entirely well and feel very pleased to acknowledge its merits." For sale by Kiesau Drug Co.

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Application for Saloon Liquor License. Matter of application of Michael Ambroz for a liquor license.

Notice is hereby given that Michael Ambroz did, on the 16th day of April, 1901, file his application to the chairman and board of village trustees of the village of Tilden, Nebraska, for license to sell malt, spirituous and vinous liquors at Tilden, Nebraska, from the 1st day of May, 1901, to the 30th day of April, 1902, at lot nine, block one, of said village.

If there is no objection, remonstrance or protest filed within two weeks from the 16th day of April, 1901, the said license will be granted. FELIX HALES, Village Clerk.

Railroad and Business Directory.

R. R. TIME TABLE. Fremont, Elkhorn & Mo. Valley. EAST. DEPART. 8:55 a.m. Chicago Express 12:40 p.m. ARRIVE. Chicago Express 7:30 p.m. DEPART. Omaha Passenger 12:40 p.m. WEST. Black Hills Express 7:40 p.m. DEPART. Verdigris Passenger 12:40 p.m. ARRIVE. Verdigris Accommodation 8:50 a.m. WEST. Black Hills Express 12:30 p.m. DEPART. Verdigris Passenger 8:50 a.m. ARRIVE. Verdigris Accommodation 12:40 p.m. WEST. The Chicago and Black Hills Express arrives and departs from Junction depot. The Omaha and Verdigris trains arrive and depart from city depot. H. C. MATRAU, Agent.

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